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## Rockin' in the Park

By Airman 1st Class  
James Schenck

7th Bomb Wing Public Affairs

Dyess is scheduled to host the 5th annual Rockin' in the Park concert from 6 to 11 p.m. Saturday at the base parade grounds.

The event will feature Houston-based band The Reds, free food and soda.

"The wing commander is providing an evening of entertainment for Team Dyess," said Mr. Willie Cooper, Dyess Community Center director. "It's all about the team," he said.

The free event is open to all military members and their families. Tickets must be picked up from first sergeants in order to attend and eat. Tickets, which have been available all week are still available today.

Five years ago, the base wing commander was looking for a way to give back to the men and women of Dyess, said Ms. Stephanie Kraly, 7th services squadron marketing director, to create more enthusiasm among our Airmen. Services generated the free concert idea and Rockin' in the Park was born.

The idea was so successful in its first year that the tradition continues every year, said Ms. Kraly.

There will also be a children's area including an obstacle course and a magician, said Ms. Kraly.

Attendees should not bring their own alcohol, coolers, grills or glassware. Beer will be on sale, said Ms. Kraly.

Parking will be available in the following areas: the BX, commissary, Heritage Club, dorm parking lots, Dyess Lanes, Chapel, Credit Union, base main pool, and the 436th Training Squadron parking lot.

In case of inclement weather, the event will be held in the Heritage Club.

For more information, contact Ms. Kraly at 696-2936.



Photos by Airman 1st Class Alan Garrison

Staff Sgt. Michael Bilharz and Airman 1st Class Jill Eggink, both from the base honor guard team, participate in the POW/MIA ceremony held on base Sept. 16. Colonel Garrett Harencak spoke at the ceremony and honored the Dyess POW/MIAs from the Vietnam War and other POW/MIAs on the nationally-observed day.

## Remembering Our Fallen



Dyess Airmen stand quietly as Team Dyess took a moment of silence to honor POW/MIA Day Sept. 16.

## Amount of SGLI rates rise

By 1st Lt. Aaron  
Hochman-Zimmerman

7th Bomb Wing Protocol

The Servicemember's Group Life Insurance, by act of Congress, raised its rates from \$16.25 to \$26 per month and its life insurance coverage from \$250,000 to \$400,000 for every eligible member, effective Oct. 1.

Members have the option to decline the increase or modify their coverage, but must fill out the SGLV 8286 form, found on the SGLI website before Sept. 30.

The change also affects SGLI family members who must fill out the SGLV 8285A form to modify coverage. Forms should be turned into the base military personnel flight customer service. To completely decline coverage from SGLI, Air Combat Command mandates that a member must receive counseling from his or her first shirt or commander.

Coverage will be offered only in \$50,000 increments, but \$400,000 will become the maximum amount of SGLI coverage for service members, when the law takes effect.

The reason for the change is "cost of living," said Ms. Kathy Lacy, Dyess casualty assistance and survivor benefits manager. "It just wasn't enough," Lacy said about the \$250,000 policies.

The ongoing Global War on Terror in both Afghanistan and Iraq, did not directly cause Congress to pass the coverage increase, but "I think it added to it," said Capt. David Ciesielski, 7th Bomb Wing MPF commander.

In addition to the usual benefits collected upon the death of an SGLI member, if the death occurred in the line of duty in Afghanistan or Iraq there is a \$100,000

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## General Moseley: Future of the Air Force



U.S. Air Force photo by Master Sgt. Jim Varhegyi  
WASHINGTON — Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. T. Michael Moseley gives his keynote address on the future of air and space power during the final day of the Air Force Association's 2005 Air and Space Conference and Technology Exposition Sept. 14.

By Master Sgt. Mitch Gettle  
Air Force Print News

WASHINGTON — To determine the way ahead, one must understand the heritage and history of the Air Force, Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. T. Michael Moseley said during his keynote address on the future of the Air Force at the Air Force Association's 2005 Air and Space Conference and Technology Exposition here Sept. 14.

In World War I, the Allies were faced with breaking the German lines near the city of St. Mihiel. The Germans were entrenched and fortified, and it was up to Col. Billy Mitchell to plan the air offensive.

Looking at the plan and execution, it is very similar to the tactics the Air Force uses today to gain air superiority.

"First, (Colonel Mitchell) built a series of expeditionary airfields that had repair hangars, billeting, and messing facilities," General Moseley said. "He then stocked them with fuel and munitions. For the opening shot he sent his fighters deep into German airspace to directly attack the German air force. This cleared the way for the bombardment squadrons to directly attack German headquarters, troop concentrations, staging areas, transportation infrastructure, and airfields."

During his address, the general cited many of the founding fathers of air power as laying the foundation for today's future.

"What (Colonel Mitchell) and these early, intrepid Airmen demonstrated in those frail (World War I) aircraft ... how they

began to think and organize ... how they forever changed warfare — they have given us a sense of perspective and a way to understand our future," he said.

Also, in understanding the future course for the Air Force, there are current challenges that must be met.

General Moseley cited three challenges the Air Force must tackle: focus on fighting the war on terrorism, continue to develop Airmen and recapitalize and modernize the inventory.

The Air Force has been involved in the war on terrorism for more than 1,400 days. After such a long time, as with most tasks, an air of complacency can set in, he said.

"Let me be clear: We cannot now, nor ever, lose sight of the fact that the mission of the United States Air Force is to fly and to fight," General Moseley said. "We fly and we fight ... that's what we do."

It is the Airmen who fly and fight, and training those Airmen is an Air Force priority.

"We clearly have the best people in the world," he said. "If we are going to ask our Airmen to defend this nation, then we owe it to them to give them the best opportunities for career development ... and give them the best possible standard of living and the best possible training."

The general said the Air Force must continue to make the training more realistic and find the right mix of joint, coalition

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## COMMANDER’S CORNER

Team Dyess continues to support Hurricane Katrina relief efforts with scores of our warriors deployed throughout the Gulf areas doing tremendous work providing a wide variety of services and expertise. We have heard from many of them, and you can be proud of their determination and can-do attitude despite the many challenges that confront them every day.

The Gulf Coast, as you know, is once again threatened with a large hurricane; this one is called Rita. We at Team Dyess have already provided support for this storm and will in the coming days do even more. We will be hosting almost seventy planes from Gulf bases and are already preparing follow-on relief efforts.

Let us keep all of our deployed personnel all around the world in our thoughts as they either save lives in our own country or are actively hunting down and destroying America’s enemies. As always thanks for all you and your families do each and every day for our Air Force and our nation.



Col. Garrett Harencak  
7th Bomb Wing commander

## Competence and confidence: two bedrocks of leadership

Commentary by  
Chief Master Sgt. Jeffrey Henson  
7th Maintenance Group

Lessons of leadership abound in our Air Force, and those everyday lessons can help all of us make positive improvements in our leadership abilities. You just have to remain open-minded to catch that little nugget of truth when life’s great grab bag of experience decides to dump on you.

I remember arriving at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas, at 1 a.m. on July 11, 1983. I was a very nervous lad, not knowing what to expect as the Greyhound Bus pulled to a stop. I was tired, but I was also filled with worry about the unknown. The hodgepodge of young men in my bus consisted of long-haired hippies, short-haired farm boys like me and a few slick-dressed city folk. Some guys were adorned in their Sunday-go-to-service finery, while others were dressed as though they had just walked out of the Water Front Mission. As we stepped off of the bus, a man in uniform bellowed, “Make a straight line!” Slowly we formed something vaguely resembling a line. Another shout quickly followed, “no, No, NO, I SAID make a X#!@\$%% straight LINE!” This time we sprang into activity, as though a red-hot iron had just branded our collective backsides. We gave a much better effort that time and hurriedly re-formed into a single straight line.

Why did we react so quickly? Simply put, the sound of that man’s voice demanded our immediate action and nothing less would do. The man in uniform had immediate authority over us through his commanding presence. He exuded an of air confidence and competence. He conducted himself as one with authority, and we immediately fell into a straight line to comply with his authority.

The man in uniform yelled again, “I didn’t tell you to put your bags down! Pick

your bags up, RIGHT NOW!” We leaped into action and picked up our bags.

The man in uniform let out another loud, precise bark, “Together, put your bags down, NOW!” Some of us dropped our bags right then, wobbling like we had just learned the rare and fine art of standing on two legs, while others set their bags down more deliberately. The man in uniform barked again, “Since you girls can’t figure out how to put your bags down together, let’s try it again. PICK your bags up,

man of small physical stature, his deportment of professionalism, competence and confidence demanded respect from the smallest to the largest man among us. As new-born babies delivered into our new military life, Sergeant Prada taught us to walk, talk, eat and sleep as airmen. He transformed us from a gaggle of individuals into a team. That is to say, we all knew how to do our tasks. We knew where to go, when to go and why to go, but, most importantly of all, we knew how to go without becoming

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7th Maintenance Group

NOW!” We picked up our bags with more order as we carefully watched each other out of the corners of our eyes. Five minutes later, that ramshackle group of young men could pick up and lay down their bags in unison and with a certain precision that instilled just a teeny-tiny measure of pride. When he was satisfied with our first performance, he led us inside and us assigned bunks. As I took my bunk, I saw other recruits that had arrived before me. At least one more group was to arrive before I drifted off into a dreamless asleep. That was my first Air Force lesson in the power of leadership authority, built on the solid rock of confidence and competence.

The next morning, I met a man I would never forget: Tech. Sgt. Prada, my training instructor. Though Sergeant Prada was a

the sacrificial lamb of the day. We understood our mission, learned our path to success, and became confident. Secure in week five we gazed triumphantly at the new round of future slick-sleeves coming through the front gate, and could not imagine ourselves looking so pathetic and lost during our first week.

Six weeks of basic military training were over in a flash, and I stepped onto another bus. This time I was headed east to Biloxi, Miss. That familiar feeling of excitement and worry hit again; but this time I was filled more with excitement than worry.

My stay at Lackland had changed me. Sometime during Sergeant Prada’s strict tutelage, the scared kid from coal and tobacco country, the kid from north-eastern Kentucky who owned a single pair of worn

converse tennis shoes, was honed and tempered away, and in his stead a young man emerged. I took my steps two at a time with my 60-pound duffle bag slung securely across my back as I hopped onto that east-bound Greyhound towards my Air Force future.

How similar was my early Air Force journey to yours? Who was your Sergeant Prada?

As many of us have, I’ve experienced both highs and lows throughout my military career. But, I can truly say that I am a Chief Master Sgt. today because I was blessed to be surrounded by good leaders. Those leaders continued the process of building me up that Sergeant Prada had began so many years before. Those leaders taught, pushed, corrected, prodded, tempered, supported and, above all, challenged me. Their methods were an exotic recipe of friction and learning, strife and strength. Over these many years they built in me a bedrock of confidence and competence. I have come to trust that foundation to help shelter me through tempestuous storms, but also to help me better appreciate the fair winds of this life.

The people who stand out in my mind after 22 years of service are my leaders who led by example. They knew their profession and used their knowledge for the good of our service and the good of our country. Those leaders dedicated time and effort to become the expert in their fields. By doing so, not only did they gain personal confidence, they also inspired confidence in the subordinates they led.

No matter what your field is in our Air Force, diligently focus your efforts to build a foundation of excellence by observing and emulating the leaders that inspire and challenge you today. If you do so, you will serve your country and our next generation of military leaders very well.

## TEAM DYESS FOD Fighter of the Week Technical Sergeant Victor Pietruccia



Technical Sgt. Victor Pietruccia, 7th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron crew chief, performs routine checks. Sergeant Pietruccia was standing his ground on a B-1 whose engines were running when he noticed a 3/16 box end wrench on the taxiway. Sergeant Pietruccia quickly made sure the wrench was picked up. His actions avoided possible damage to the aircraft.

## Correction

The article ‘A great American hero’ in the Sept. 16 Dyess Global Warrior, incorrectly stated that Col. Robert Maness, 9th Bomb Squadron commander, handed out awards to his squadron to include the Air Medal, Aerial Air Medal, Achievement and Accommodation medals.

The medals were actually the Air Medal, Aerial Achievement Medal and the Air Force Commendation Medal.

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# Dyess construction projects make progress

**99%**


**Replacement of sewer mains**  
This \$2,400 project is approximately 99 percent complete. Work is scheduled to be completed in November.

**86%**


**Installation of anti-terrorism, force protection barriers around base dormitories**  
This \$1,963 project is approximately 86 percent complete. Work is scheduled to be finished in November.

**58%**


**Army & Air Force Exchange Service shopping center**  
This \$8.8 million project is approximately 58 percent complete and construction is scheduled to be completed in December. The shopping center is scheduled to open for business either in March or April.

**48%**

**Replacement of gas valves**  
This \$1,391 project is approximately 48 percent complete, with construction scheduled to be finished in March.

**39%**

**Dorm air conditioning repair**  
This \$1,026 project is approximately 39 percent complete. Construction is scheduled to be finished in December.


**23%**

**Chapel education center**  
This \$267,000 project is approximately 23 percent complete. Construction is scheduled to be completed in November.




Photo by Airman 1st Class Aaron Walker

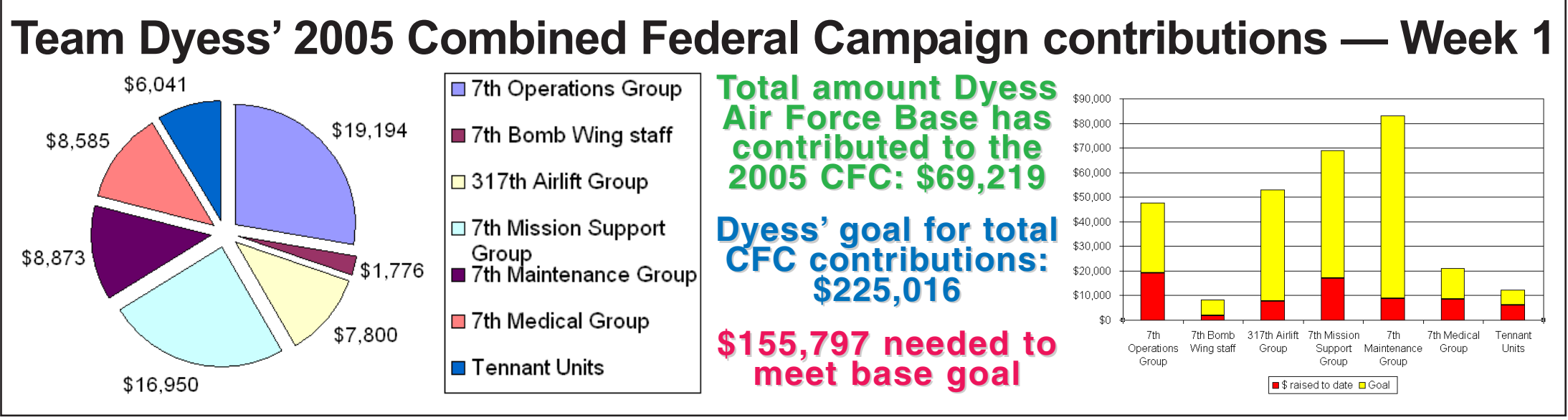
The new Air Force and Army Exchange Service shopping center, being constructed next to the current BX, is now more than 58 percent complete according to AAFES officials. When it opens in March or April 2006, the 96,000 square foot building will be home to the Army and Air Force Exchange Service Base Exchange, Four Seasons, Class VI and a food court.

**10%**

**AAFES mini-mall**  
This \$2.6 million project is approximately 10 percent complete. Construction is scheduled to be completed in April and will open for business either that same month or in May.

**9%**

**Relocate B-1 aircraft hangar door controls**  
This \$216,000 project is approximately nine percent complete. Construction is scheduled to be completed in March.







U.S. Air Force photo by Tech. Sgt. Brian E. Christiansen

## Big Country aid reaches Louisiana

**HAMMOND, La. —** A rented truck arrives at the regional United Way headquarters in Hammond, La., filled with donated goods from Dyess Elementary School in support of the Hurricane Katrina relief effort Sept. 14. Members of the North Carolina National Guard's 113th Quick Response Force help U.S. Air Force personnel unload the supplies.

## Future

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and composite force training.

For the Air Force to train and fight, it has to have the proper equipment to ensure mission success.

“Old equipment is not a new problem,” General Moseley said. “We are operating the oldest inventory of aircraft in our history.”

The average age of the fleet has gone from 8 1/2 years old in 1967 to an average of 23 1/2 years old today, he said.

General Moseley commented on the way ahead for the Air Force and the four points that will drive its future.

— The future total force must be not only adaptable to today’s fight, but also tomorrow’s fight and equally adaptable to unknown applications.

— It must be seamless among the active duty, Guard and Reserve components.

— It must operate in a joint environment; not only in what is purchased, but also in the

way we fight, talk and think.

— It must be affordable.

“To meet these challenges though, we must continue to look for better ways to operationally exploit the air and space domain,” the general said.

General Moseley also spoke of the innovativeness and execution the early pioneers of the Air Force used to overcome obstacles in their path.

“The pioneers have given us a proud combat heritage, a heritage that speaks to us today,” he said. “Their work, their ideas, and their courage propel us toward an unlimited horizon of opportunity which is the birthright of your Air Force.

“So when someone asks you what the Air Force will be doing in the future, tell them this: We will do what we have always done,” he said. “We will stand on the shoulders of giants. We will take care of each other and every member of this great fighting force. We will innovate. And ... we will fly ... we will fight ... and we will win.”

## ALS class 05-G graduates

Thirty-three Dyess enlisted members reached a major milestone in their Air Force careers by graduating from Airman Leadership School class 05-G during a ceremony Sept. 15 at the Heritage Club.

- **Senior Airman Leslie Wall**, 7th Component Maintenance Squadron, earned the John L. Levitow Award as class 05-G's top graduate.
- **Senior Airman Christian Guillen**, 7th Aeromedical/Dental Squadron, earned the Academic Achievement Award as well as being named one of the class' three Distinguished Graduates.
- Distinguished Graduate honors were also bestowed upon **Senior Airman Billy Benjamin**, 7th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, and **Senior Airman Tiffany Scott**, 317th Maintenance Operations Squadron.
- Senior Airman Jesse Rios**, 7th Munitions Squadron, took home 05-G's Leadership Award.

- Other Class 05-G graduates were
- **Staff Sgt. Franklin Churchill**, 7th Communications Squadron
  - **Staff Sgt. Jeffery Ross**, 317th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron
  - **Senior Airman Christopher Bebout**, 7th CMS
  - **Senior Airman Shareef Nunnally**, 7th Equipment Maintenance Squadron
  - **Senior Airman Jeremy Randle**, 9th Bomb Squadron
  - **Senior Airman Edward Shubert**, 7th Operations Support Squadron
  - **Senior Airman Erin Francis**, 7th Logistics Readiness Squadron
  - **Senior Airman Jesse Walters**, 7th AMXS
  - **Senior Airman Derris Robinson**, 7th Munitions Squadron
  - **Senior Airman Victor Herrera**, 7th Logistics Readiness Squadron
  - **Senior Airman Christopher Nestlehut**, 7th EMS
  - **Senior Airman Edward Amburgey**,

- 317th OSS
- **Senior Airman Clyde Williams**, 7th EMS
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- **Senior Airman Samuel Yocum**, 7th AMXS
- **Senior Airman John Green**, 317th MOS
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- **Senior Airman Clint Riddell**, 317th AMXS
- **Senior Airman Anthony Perkins**, 7th Maintenance Group
- **Senior Airman Ryan Huber**, 7th MUNS
- **Senior Airman Michael Kraft**, 7th EMS
- **Senior Airman Justin Bellard**, 7th LRS
- **Senior Airman Ian Spagnola**, 317th AMXS
- **Senior Airman Jeremiah Licon**, 7th EMS

## SGLI

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death gratuity paid rather than the usual amount of \$12,420. Both death gratuity and life insurance claims for the Dyess Air Force Base area are made through the base casualty assistance and survivor benefits office.

Although the MPF cannot recommend a particular amount of life insurance, they do recommend SGLI. Many private firms do not pay benefits if a policy holder is killed in war or can deny coverage based on poor health.

“[SGLI] pays without exception,” Captain Ciesielski said.

Policies are also available to cover family members for up to \$100,000 at the rate of \$6.50 per month.

SGLI coverage ends within 120 days of separation from military service; however, a former SGLI policy holder can elect to transfer coverage to Veteran's Group Life Insurance (VGLI). This policy, is more expensive, but can last until benefits are paid. Those who opt out of SGLI or VGLI coverage or exceed the 120-day limit may be allowed to re-enroll after answering questions about heart condition, diabetes and other health matters.



Photo by Airman 1st Class Alan Garrison

## Superior machines

Corvette enthusiasts and representatives from the National Corvette Museum of Abilene hosted a 2005 Heartbeat in the Heartland stopover to Dyess' flightline for a once in a lifetime opportunity to get photographed with a B-1 bomber Monday.



TEAM DYESS

Warrior of the Week

Senior Airman Kevin Lynch

Unit: 7th Operations Squadron

Job title: Air traffic controller

Job description: I control all aircraft on the ramp and in the air within approximately 10 miles of Dyess and up to 3,500 feet above ground level. I also make sure the aircraft get to their final destinations safely so that they can complete their missions, whether it's B-1s dropping bombs on target or C-130s providing humanitarian relief.

Time in Air Force: Three years

Time at Dyess: Two years

Hometown: Chesire, Conn.

Career goals: Being accepted to officer training school and becoming a pilot.

Favorite thing about Dyess: The relationship between Dyess and the Abilene community.

Favorite thing about the Air Force: I like the job security and benefits package.

Most rewarding job aspect: Working hand-in-hand with the pilots and being able to observe the Air Force's air superiority on an everyday basis.

Most rewarding job aspect: Being selected to receive a tour of Air Force One — the least toured and most prestigious aircraft in the world.

(Editor's note: The Dyess Warrior of the Week is selected by unit squadron commanders, first sergeants or supervisors on a rotating squadron basis.)



Photo by Airman 1st Class Kiley Olds

# Airmen learn meaning of ‘wingman’

## Airmen to take ‘down day’ to focus on well-being

**2nd Lt. Elizabeth Campanile**  
*7th Bomb Wing Public Affairs*

Just as important as completing the mission is completing the mission together. Airmen will have a chance Thursday to observe how the military mission relies on getting the job done but also on Airmen taking care of themselves and each other. On the second annual Wingman Day, Dyess squadrons will individually gather their Airmen, leaders and first sergeants to take a “down day” to focus on unit and personal well-being and how those tie into the overall wingman concept. “We’re taking time out to show our folks that, yes, the mission is important, but we

need each and every one of them to make that mission happen,” said Capt. Alicia Edwards, Dyess Life Skills Clinic commander. “We all play a key position in this U.S. Air Force.” Wingman Day – similar to the base Wingman Program, which allows Airmen to call designated fellow Airmen when they are in need of a ride – encompasses the same “be-there-for-your-wingman” concept but much more widely, Captain Edwards said. Wingman Day focuses on the four dimensions of well-being: physical, emotional, social and spiritual. It allows squadrons to tailor individual schedules for their Airmen in order to discuss and help them overcome any individual or unit obstacles. “Wingman Day provides information to help our people assess and make changes to their lifestyles in order to correct any area of their well-being where they may need improvement,” said Tech. Sgt. Edward Armstrong, Life Skills Clinic NCOIC. Squadrons have appointed speakers to brief and facilitate open discussions about

the four dimensions of well-being. Squadrons are also equipped with an ACC Toolkit and suicide awareness video to share with their Airmen. “One option available to us this year that wasn’t around last year is the new DVD made here titled, ‘Air Combat Command Off-Duty Survivor Stories, Suicide Choices: Terminal Consequences,’ Sergeant Armstrong said. The DVD, which is a dramatization of one Airman’s life, demonstrates the tell-tale warning signs of suicide and records real-life testimonies of three ACC Airmen who speak about how suicide has impacted them personally. The DVD is available for squadrons to order through the Department of Defense multimedia production website. While Thursday will be the second time Dyess participates in Wingman Day, Sergeant Edwards anticipates some Airmen may have a tendency to downplay its importance. “If there’s a misconception about Wingman Day, it’s probably that this is just another one of those days full of boring

briefings that everyone has heard before,” he said. “But that shouldn’t be the case. There are many aspects of the four dimensions of well-being that can apply to each one of us, and because the people briefing aren’t the same ones who briefed last year, this is a chance to get new perspectives and advice.” “I just hope people recognize that it’s nice for everyone up and down our chain to care for us and show concern, but ultimately it starts with ‘me’ and the decisions I make, and Wingman Day will be the time to focus on this,” Captain Edwards said. “At the same time, I hope everyone remembers we are not just one another’s wingman for the hours we spend at work,” she said. “We are a ‘one team, one fight’ Air Force and need to support each other 24/7. The military is not a 9 to 5 job—it’s a lifestyle.” For more information and for squadrons’ Wingman Day schedules, Airmen can contact their first sergeants, their designated Wingman Day point of contact or either Sergeant Armstrong at 696-5380 or Captain Edwards at 696-5390.

# General Keys on suicide: ‘Be great Airmen’

**By General Ronald E. Keys**  
*Air Combat Command commander*

Over the past year, I have stressed the importance of Airmen looking out for one another, especially in light of our alarmingly high suicide rate in 2004. I asked that we all make the extra effort to look for troubling signs in our co-workers — that we be great wingmen. Our rates have gone down, but each loss that we take is one too many. The efforts of some great wingmen have saved the lives of some of our comrades-in-arms, but now I urge each of you to continue to provide mutual support. In my 39-year career, I have always been proud of how our Air Force takes care of its own. It sets us apart from those in the private sector and it is something I will deeply miss in retirement. This attitude is firmly rooted in the profession of arms and is part of our common Airman culture. Our inaugural Wingman Day

occurred after four months in which 24 Airmen took their own lives. Discussing the stressors we experience, re-emphasizing available supportive services and talking about what it takes to be a great wingman provided an opportunity for us to join together and examine how we can strengthen our common Airman culture at every level. Why has focusing on our wingman responsibilities contributed to lowering our suicide rates? I believe part of the answer lies in our core value of “Service Before Self.” The foundation of this value is respect — respect for our Air Force, for ourselves, and for our fellow Airmen. As we give and gain respect, we develop our sense of what it means to be Airmen and create a community to support those who need our help. Airmen support and protect their fellow Airmen. Airmen help Airmen in need. Airmen work with Airmen to deliver precision results wherever

and whenever needed. Being a great wingman means recognizing when other Airmen are in distress and having the courage to care. I am asking each of you to make being a wingman a habit and not just a slogan. Wingman Day isn’t nearly enough. While providing a good opportunity to reflect on how we take care of our own, simply scheduling one day a year is just a beginning. We must each make a conscious choice each and every day, ensuring that we are thinking, preparing and acting in accordance with our core values and serving as wingmen to our fellow Airmen, whether they are active, reserve, guardsman or civilian. We should ask ourselves daily, “Who are my wingmen, how are they doing, and what have I done to support them today?” That’s where “Service Before Self” begins — with you and your teammates. That’s what makes our United States Air Force the greatest air and space force in the world.

## Tips on how to reduce distress

The following are examples of protective factors that may reduce the probability that difficulties will result in the development of serious behavioral or physical health problems, according to the “Leaders Guide for Managing Personnel in Distress.”

- Unit cohesion and camaraderie
- Peer support
- Easy access to helping resources
- Belief that it is okay to ask for help
- Optimistic outlook
- Effective coping and problem-solving skills
- Social and family support
- Sense of belonging to a group or organization
- Marriage
- Physical activity
- Participation, membership in a community
- A measure of personal control of life and its circumstances
- Religious or spiritual connectedness

For more tips, military personnel can refer to the “Leader’s Guide for Managing Personnel in Distress” at <http://afspp.afms.mil/leadersguide/default.htm>.

# Dyess Road Warriors race to finishline



Photos courtesy of Ms. Maria Hartsfield

Airman Marie Chambers, 7th Communication Squadron, finishes the marathon cheered on by teammates Ms. Maria Hartsfield, Staff Sgt. Tiffany Perez and Staff Sgt. Ashley Banks at the Air Force Marathon at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base on Saturday.



Team Dyess Road Warriors included the following (front row, left to right): Tech. Sgt. John Ruiz, 317th Airlift Group, relay team, individual time, 1 hour, 18seconds; Staff Sgt. Ashley Banks, 7th Operations Support Squadron, half marathon, 2:33:32; Staff Sgt. Michelle Wickliff, 7th Medical Group, half marathon, 1:59:31. (Middle row, left to right): Senior Airman Araceli Alarcon, 7th Communications Squadron, marathon, 5:07:56; Staff Sgt. Tiffany Perez, 7th OSS, half marathon, 2:52:57; Ms. Ann Vetrano, sister of Tech. Sgt. Beck, marathon, 4:33:30; Ms. Maria Hartsfield, 7th Civil Engineering Squadron, relay, 48:58; Special Agent Anthony Wickliff, AFOSI, relay, 54:26. (Back row, left to right): Master Sgt. Richard Rose, 7th Maintenance Operations Squadron, half marathon, 1:41:35; Chief Master Sgt. Michael Williams, 317th AG, half marathon, 1:59:32; Tech. Sgt. Ken Beck, 7th Maintenance Group, marathon, 1:49:09; Tech. Sgt. Jeremy Hughes, 317th MOS, marathon, 5:08:26. (Dyess members not in photo): Airman 1st Class Marie Chambers, 7th CS, marathon, 6:56:59; Airman 1st Class Brandon Allen, 7th CS, marathon, 4:32:47; SA Archibald Harner, AFOSI, marathon, 4:51:38; Tech Sgt. Marcia Berkompas, 7th CS, marathon, 6:11:32; Airman 1st Class Brent Freeman, 7th CS, marathon, 5:56:12; Maj. Michele Boyko, 28th Bomb Squadron, marathon, 6:39:08. The relay teams’ cumulative time was 3:59:13, with the help of Maj. Riley Pyles, Air Force Institute of Technology.



News Briefs

Space-available travel

The following flights are currently open for space-available travel:

- Thursday at noon. to Pope AFB, N.C.; returns Oct. 2.
- Oct. 3 to Crestview, Fla.; take-off time and return date are to be determined.

All flights are subject to changes or cancellation without prior notice. Show time for all flights is two hours prior to scheduled take-off time.

All travelers must show their military ID card plus one additional form of ID. Active duty travelers must possess valid leave orders. All sharp objects must be stored in checked baggage. Hand-carried baggage is subject to a 100 percent search. The passenger terminal is in building 4218, 941 Avenue B.

For all flights scheduled during non-duty hours, travelers must notify pax terminal at 696-4505 or 696-8732.

Hispanic-American month

The Hispanic Heritage committee is seeking volunteers to prepare for Hispanic-American Observance Month, which is Sept. 15 to Oct. 15.

The committee also needs a chairperson. The goal of the observance month is to facilitate understanding and awareness of the various cultures that make up the society.

Volunteers need not be of Hispanic-American descent. A diverse committee is desired.

This year's theme is "Hispanic Americans: Strong and Colorful Threads in the American Fabric."

To volunteer or for more information, contact the base military equal opportunity office at 696-4226.

40th AS picnic

The 40th Airlift Squadron deployment picnic, for 40th AS personnel and their family members, is scheduled at 4:30 p.m. Oct. 6 at the base picnic grounds .

For more information, contact 1st Lt. Jacob Bergmann at 696-2379 or 2nd Lt. Chris Lowry at 696-7208.

40th AS spouses' brief

The 40th Airlift Squadron is scheduled to hold a spouses' briefing for spouses left behind from the current deployment at 5:30 p.m. at the squadron auditorium Oct. 3.

For more information, contact 1st Lt. John Johnston at 696-3342 or 1st Lt. Jennifer Lindsay 696-7230.

Building manager training

Building manager training will be held from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. Oct. 4 at the 7th civil engineer squadron operations flight conference room.

Training is open to all active duty military, civilian personnel and contractor employees performing building manager duties. The training fills the requirement for both initial and annual refresher training.

Seating is limited to 20 personnel.

For more information, contact the 7th Civil Engineer Squadron customer service office at 696-4154.



Photo by Airman 1st Class Chris Walkenhorst

Receiving the Dyess blessing

Colonel Garrett Harencak, 7th Bomb Wing commander, huddles in for pre-game blessing at Dyess Day at Abilene Christian University Sept. 16. Colonel Harencak kicked off the evening's activities with the coin toss, and the base honor guard team presented the colors for ACU and Texas A&M Commerce teams as well Dyess fans who attended the event.

Weatherization Day

Training for the annual Weatherization Day is scheduled for 2 to 4 p.m. Oct. 4 in the Hangar Center ballroom.

Anyone interested in training in order to volunteer for the event can contact Master Sgt. Clayton Door at 696-5268.

The event is slated for Oct. 22. More information will be available in next week's issue of the Dyess Global Warrior.

Tops in Blue auditions

Applicants interested in competing in the Air Force Talent Contest and auditioning for Tops in Blue 2006 should submit a videotape of themselves performing, along with an entertainer application to: HQ AFSVA, SVPCE; 10100 Reunion Place; Ste. 402; San Antonio, Texas 78216-4138. Airmen can obtain an application by calling (210) 652-6566 or through the Air Force Services Web site at www.afsv.af.mil. The deadline for submissions is Oct. 5.

Videotapes will be reviewed at the agency's entertainment branch, and those individuals who display talents the judges feel can best support the team will be invited

to compete at the Worldwide Talent Contest Nov. 6 to 14 at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas. Funding for the contest is provided by Air Force Services, including permissive temporary duty, travel and lodging.

Tops in Blue is the all-Air Force entertainment troupe that provides a free, high-energy 90-minute musical extravaganza to servicemembers worldwide, including war zones. In its mission to boost morale, the team visits more than 120 locations in more than 30 countries, entertaining more than 350,000 military and family members from May to February each year.

Sheppard AFB airshow

Dyess personnel and their families are invited to attend the 2005 Team Sheppard Open House and Airshow from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas, Oct. 8.

The event is free and open to the public. The premier acts include the U.S. Army's Golden Knight Parachute Team, U.S. Air Force A-10 Thunderbolt demonstration team and the T-6 Texan demonstration team.

For more information, contact the Sheppard Public Affairs office at (940) 676-1330 or visit www.sheppard.af.mil.

Faith of the soldier

Dyess personnel are invited to attend "The Faith of the American Soldier" at 10 a.m. to noon at the Taylor County coliseum and round building Oct. 9.

The event is specifically held for military people of the Big Country area and is scheduled to have guest speaker Mr. Stephen Mansfield, pastor and author.

For more information, contact Chaplain Matthew Incorvaia at 696-3707 or Mr. Ray Templeton at 692-6540.

2005 AF climate survey

The 2005 Air Force Climate Survey is scheduled for Oct. 1 to Nov. 23. Beginning Oct 1, respondents will be able to access the survey directly from the Air Force Climate Survey website at https://afclimatesurvey.af.mil/.

The Chief of Staff of the Air Force's charter for the Air Force Climate Survey is to "provide actionable feedback to leaders at all levels for the purpose of improving their units" and is a valid tool to measure the climate of an organization while providing identity protection.

Through the user-friendly format of the survey, respondents can provide this feedback on organization issues across the Air Force. All eligible participants are highly encouraged to take the survey, including deployed personnel.

To find out who is eligible to participate in the survey or for more information, please contact 2nd Lt. Jomia Blas at 696-5025 or Mr. Elijah Freeman at 696-5751.

Rattlesnake vaccine

The base veterinary treatment facility is offering rattlesnake vaccines for dogs.

For more information or to schedule an appointment, contact the clinic at 696-3366 or 696-3367.

Thrift shop

The Dyess Thrift Shop is open to all Dyess personnel and their families.

The Thrift Shop is scheduled to hold a "bag sale" throughout September.

Store hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and the first Saturday of the month from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The Thrift Shop is located at 382 4th Ave. For more information, call 696-8203.

Travel office notice

The base travel office for official government travel, formally known as Wing Gate Travel, is now known as Boersma Travel.

For more information, contact Beth Maddox at 696-4743.

Dyess Chapel



Catholic worship schedule:

Saturday: Reconciliation — 4:15 p.m.  
Mass — 5 p.m.  
Sunday: Mass — 9 a.m.  
Tuesday — Friday: Mass — 11:30 a.m.

Protestant worship schedule:

Traditional worship service — 11 a.m.  
Gospel service 12:30 p.m.

A nursery and children's church are available at all services.

For information on Jewish services, call Capt. Matt Paskin at 370-1052.

For more information about other services, call the chapel at 696-4224.



Admission for adults is \$3, children 6-12 years old are \$1.50 and children ages 6 and younger are admitted free. Admission for G-rated movies is \$1.50 for children between the ages 2-12.

For more information, call the base theater at 696-4320.

Friday at 7 p.m., Sunday at 2 p.m.

**Four Brothers** — *Mark Wahlberg, Andre Benjamin* — After their adoptive mother is murdered during a grocery store hold-up, the Mercer brothers — hotheaded Bobby, hard-edged Angel, family man and businessman Jeremiah and hard rocking Jack — reunite to take the matter of her death into their own hands. But as they track down the killer, they quickly

realize that their old ways of doing business have new consequences.

Rated R (*strong violence, language, sexual content*) 109 min.

Saturday at 2 p.m.

**Valiant** — (Animated) A lowly wood pigeon named Valiant, overcomes his small size to become a hero in Great Britain's Royal Air Force Homing Pigeon Service during World War II. The RHPS advanced the Allied cause by flying vital messages about enemy movements across the English Channel, whilst evading brutal attacks by the enemy's Falcon Brigade.  
Rated G, 109 min.

Saturday at 7 p.m.

**Just Like Heaven** — *Reese Witherspoon, Mark Ruffalo* — A San Franciscan man falls in love with a female spirit he encounters in his home. The dilemma is that the woman whose ghost he's swooning over has been in a coma for months and unless he does something she'll be taken off life support.  
Rated PG-13 (*sexual content*) 94 min.



# Maintainers battle it out on gridiron

Story and photos by  
Tech. Sgt. Gene Lappe  
7th Bomb Wing Public Affairs

The 7th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron handed the 7th Component Maintenance Squadron their first defeat of the flag football season Monday, 28-15.

While they took the victory, the 7th AMXS started off slowly running three plays and punting on their first possession.

Following the punt, the 7th CMS started their first drive from their own 32 yard line. On second down, quarterback Ronald Tinney's pass was picked-off by AMXS's Jack Jones, who took the interception 35 yards for AMXS's first touchdown. The point-after-attempt was good — 7th AMXS-7, the 7th CMS-0.

On the ensuing kick off, the 7th CMS started play from their own 45-yard line. On the very first play, Tinney attempted another pass, but it was picked off by AMXS's Robert Badilla, giving the 7th AMXS the ball on their own 45-yard line. Quarterback Robert Jackson aired out a 55-yard TD pass to Travis Gendreau for their second TD. The PAT was good and put the 7th AMXS ahead 14-0 midway through the first half.

On their next possession, the 7th CMS organized a solid drive. Tinney ran for 18 yards and connected with Jere Holder and Jamel Daniels to put the 7th CMS in scoring position. The drive was capped off by a 4th down touchdown pass from Tinney to Donterrio Erby. The PAT was good — 7th AMXS-14, 7th CMS-7.

The 7th AMXS started their third drive with 1:30 left in the first half. They marched 77 yards to score one more TD before half time. Jackson completed two passes and rushed for nine yards to get the 7th AMXS into scoring position. A 29-yard TD pass from Jackson to Gendreau put the AMXS up 20-7, and the PAT was good. At the half, 7th AMXS was leading the 7th CMS 21-7.

The 7th CMS started their first drive of the second half on their own 49-yard line. On the first play, Holder's pass was intercepted by AMXS's Jackson.

Jackson then completed a 14-yard pass to Gendreau, but penalties on the next two downs left the 7th AMXS with a third-and-long situation. On 4th down, the AMXS picked up 37 yards for a first down and appeared to be on the verge of another TD. Two plays later, CMS's Tinney intercepted a Jackson pass and returned it to the AMXS 44-yard line. The 7th CMS couldn't capitalize on the turn over and on fourth-and-20 threw another interception to Badilla, who ran it back 72 yards for a 7th AMXS TD. The PAT was good, and the 7th AMXS now led 28-7 with



Quarterback Robert Jackson, 7th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, scrambles out of the pocket due to pressure from Stephen Nosalik, 7th Component Maintenance Squadron. The 7th AMXS defeated the 7th CMS 28-15.

approximately four minutes remaining.

On the ensuing kick off, Jack Ruen ran the ball back to the AMXS 26-yard line and a penalty on the tackle moved the ball to the AMXS 16-yard line. From the snap, Tinney looked to throw, but was forced to run the ball for the 7th CMS's second TD. They went for a two-point conversion and it was good, cutting the 7th AMXS's lead to 13, 28-15 with 2:30 left on the clock.

The 7th AMXS went three plays and punted on their ensuring possession and the 7th CMS started their final drive from their own 39-yard line with 32 seconds left in the game. On the first play from scrimmage, Tinney threw his third interception of the game and ended the game on that play.

For the 7th AMXS, the win was a continuation of the preseason tournament, which they won 4-0.

"This win makes us even more confident," said John McIntyre, 7th AMXS coach. "It confirms what we have known all along — if we play our style of football, no one can beat us."

He attributes the 7th AMXS's win to an aggressive offense and a "lockdown" defense.

On the other side of the score, the 7th CMS team wasn't happy about how the game turned out.

"We're not content with losing," said Anthony Weiss, 7th CMS coach. "Our poor field vision and mistakes contributed to our loss. (The 7th) AMXS has a great defense as well. We've lost twice to them already this year, once in the pre-season tournament championship game and (now) game 1 of the regular season. We finished 3-1 in the pre-season. We expect to win out the rest of the games and be in the playoffs as a minimum."



(Above) Ronald Tinney (far right), 7th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, cuts outside after all of his receivers were covered. (Left) Robert Erby (#28) 7th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, hauls in a Ronald Tinney pass for the first of two touchdown passes during Monday's intramural flag football game.

## Sexual assault prevention film must-see for Airmen

By Staff Sgt. C. Todd Lopez  
Air Force Print News

WASHINGTON — A new training video recently distributed to the Air Force through vice wing commanders is required viewing for all Airmen.

All Airmen must view the new video, entitled "Targeting Sexual Assault," by Nov. 1. It is part of a larger Air Force campaign to educate Airmen about the realities of sexual assault, the prevention responsibilities of every Airman, and the efforts the Air Force is making to enhance prevention and response capabilities, said Charlene Bradley, who led the Air Force task force review and program development.

The training video features important messages by Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. John P. Jumper, Chief Master Sgt. of the Air Force Gerald R. Murray, and Lt. Gen. Roger A. Brady, deputy chief of staff of the Air Force for personnel. Those senior leader messages focus heavily on Air Force core values, on the "Wingman" concept and on respect for each other.

"We must ensure that every Airman understands that sexual assault is a crime and an egregious breach of our core values," General Brady said. "Our respect for ourselves, each other and our Air Force, are principles in our core values, principles violated when Airmen take

advantage of other Airmen."

As part of an introduction to the training portion of the video, General Jumper tells commanders and Airmen what he wants them to take away from the film.

"I want every Airmen to know what sexual assault is and how to report it," he said. "I want commanders and supervisors to support a policy and foster a climate that encourages reporting and cares for victims when they do report. And I want commanders to take appropriate action when sexual assault has occurred."

The main training portion of the video is a dramatization of a rape scenario, where mutual friends introduce two Airmen to each other. The fact the two know each other is an important part of the film, Ms. Bradley said, because it helps dispel one of the most common myths about rape.

"The biggest myth is that rapists wear

ski mask and jump out of bushes — that they are the only rapists," Ms. Bradley said.

The reality is that the majority of rapists are nonstranger rapists — someone the victim knows. The video will help educate Airmen about that fact, and will also help dispel other myths about rape, said Claudia Bayliff, the new Air Force Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Program chief.

"Statistics show approximately 85 percent of rapists are somebody known to the victim," Ms. Bayliff explained. "Another myth about rape is that the victim is somehow responsible, the victim provoked it or caused it. In addition, many think that nonstranger

rapes are just a 'miscommunication,' that they are caused by too much alcohol. What we are trying to show with the video is that these non-stranger rapes are usu-

ally premeditated."

The video also helps viewers understand the role of facilitators and bystanders — individuals who either consciously perpetuate an environment that enables non-stranger rapists to function, by offering encouragement and failing to act, or by having knowledge and failing to intervene. The goal is to teach Airmen how to intervene to protect each other.

Also part of the training film is a discussion on the Air Force's implementation of the Department of Defense's restricted reporting policy, and the Air Force's new Sexual Assault Response Coordinator program.

The training video is part of a larger Air Force program to reduce sexual assault through education and awareness. The program includes five major initiatives that focus on strong leadership and clear and integrated policy; prevention through education and training; improved care for victims; improved reporting procedures for victims; and ensuring new initiatives translate to the deployed environment.

"The Air Force is engaging in institutional change on this issue at a profound level," Ms. Bayliff said. "In all my years of working on this issue, I have never seen anything like this. This is a huge institutional change that is really unprecedented."

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